

Mayor Whaley Named U.S. Conference of Mayors Trustee

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Mayor Nan Whaley was elected a Trustee of the U.S. Conference of Mayors during the organization's 84th Annual Meeting, which concluded yesterday in Indianapolis.

Mayor Whaley joins New York City Mayor Bill DeBlasio and Green Bay, Wisconsin Mayor Jim Schmidt as a new USCM Trustee. The three Trustees and the organization's officers and past presidents comprise the organization's Executive Committee.

"I am honored to be chosen by my peers to serve such an important organization," Mayor Whaley said. "Participating in the Conference of Mayors in this capacity will help identify resources, policies and practices that will make a difference in Dayton."

During the USCM's four-day gathering, more than 200 city leaders met to discuss a broad range of policy issues impacting America's cities and their economic health, including community policing, federal investment in cities, and public-partnerships that drive innovation and efficiency.

The mayors also debated and voted on policy recommendations to present to the Obama Administration. The group passed resolutions in support of criminal justice reform, funding to combat the Zika virus, legislation to fight opioid addiction, direct funding to cities to combat poverty, comprehensive investment in rebuilding the nation's infrastructure, urging congress to remove the obstacles of the U.S. embargo against Cuba, and many more.

The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. There are 1,210 such cities in the country today, and each city is represented in the Conference by its chief elected official, the mayor. For more information, go to www.usmayors.org.

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